

BEFORE YOU READ: For each of the words below, check the column that applies to you. If you don't know the word, use the context to guess what it means. Then look up the definition and add it to the second chart.

Word	I Can Define	I Have Seen/Heard	New Word for Me
asylum			
parallel			
louse			
civilians			
heinous			
hordes			
fumbles			

Word and Page #	What I think it means	Definition
asylum - 29		
parallel - 31		
louse - 32		
civilians - 37		
heinous - 37		
hordes - 39		
fumbles - 50		

WHILE YOU READ: Annotate! Underline what you think is interesting, underline and label figures of speech, underline words, phrases, or objects or situations that you see over and over (again and again), make stars if something stands out, circle words you don't know.

AFTER YOU READ: Match the characters to their descriptions. Write the letter of the description in front of the character it describes. Complete this as the characters are introduced. SOME WILL BE LEFT BLANK! THIS IS FOR THE WHOLE BOOK!

	Characters	Descriptions
1. _____	Matthew "Moose" Flanagan	a. Natalie and Moose's mother
2. _____	Natalie Flanagan	b. 12-year-old girl who lives on the island
3. _____	Helen Flanagan	c. former teacher at the Marinoff School who prepares Natalie for her May interview
4. _____	Cam Flanagan	d. Alcatraz's warden
5. _____	Piper Williams	e. 12-year-old-boy who is forced to move to Alcatraz so his sister can attend a special school
6. _____	Warden Williams	f. convict on gardening detail who befriends Natalie
7. _____	Annie Bomini	g. Moose's 15-year-old sister; autistic
8. _____	Theresa Mattaman	h. popular boy at Moose's school who confronts Piper about the laundry scheme
9. _____	Jimmy Mattaman	i. invites Moose to play baseball and becomes his friend
10. _____	Scout McIlvey	j. warden's 12-year-old daughter; pretty but manipulative
11. _____	Mr. Purdy	k. Theresa's 12-year-year-old brother
12. _____	Carrie Kelly	l. gregarious, precocious seven-year-old who lives on Alcatraz
13. _____	Del Peabody	m. Natalie and Moose's father; electrician and prison guard at Alcatraz
14. _____	AZ 105	n. headmaster at the Esther P. Marinoff School

Directions: Add figurative language to the chart and label it. Explain what is being compared and then add what the author is trying to express.

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